

**At a Special Meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Middletown,
RI held at the Middletown Town Hall on Wednesday, October 16, 2013
at 5:10 P.M.**

Council President Christopher T. Semonelli, Presiding

Vice President Robert J. Sylvia

Councillor Richard P. Adams, arrives at 5:16 pm

Councillor Bruce J. Long

Councillor Paul M. Rodrigues, arrives at 5:13 pm

Councillor M. Theresa Santos

Councillor Barbara A. VonVillas, Members Present

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Wendy J.W. Marshall, Town Clerk

Town of Middletown

Town Hall – 350 East Main Road

Middletown, Rhode Island 02842

Dear Mrs. Marshall:

Pursuant to the provisions of Article II, Section 203 of the Town Charter and in accordance with Sections 42-46-2., 42-46-4., 42-46-5., and 42-46-6., RIGL, I hereby call a Special Meeting of the Town Council to formally consider, discuss and act upon the following items of business:

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

1. (Continued from Regular Meeting, October 7, 2013)

(Continued from Regular Meeting, September 16, 2013)

Memorandum of Superintendent, with enclosures, re: FY2014 Budget Amendments.

2. (Continued from Regular Meeting, October 7, 2013)

(Continued from Regular Meeting, September 16, 2013)

Resolution of the Council, re: Approval of FY2014 Budget Amendments.

3. (Continued from Regular Meeting, October 7, 2013)

Memorandum of Finance Director, thru Town Administrator, with enclosures, re: School Department-FY2014 CIP Funds Change of Use.

4. (Continued from Regular Meeting, October 7, 2013)

Resolution of the Council, re: School Department-FY2014 CIP Funds Change of Use.

Said meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 16, 2013, at 5:00 P.M. at the Middletown Town Hall, 350 East Main Road, Middletown, Rhode Island 02842.

Christopher T. Semonelli, President

Middletown Town Council

CC:

Town Council

Public Library

Finance Director

Town Administrator

Town Solicitor

School Committee

Human Resource Manager

This meeting location is accessible to the handicapped. Individuals requiring interpreter services for the hearing-impaired should notify the Town Clerk's Office at 847-0009 not less than 48 hours before the meeting.

On motion of Vice President Sylvia, duly seconded, it was voted unanimously to receive said communication.

On motion of Vice President Sylvia, duly seconded, it was voted unanimously to recess this meeting for five minutes

On motion of Vice President Sylvia, duly seconded, it was voted unanimously to reconvene this meeting at 5:15 pm.

Present, representing the School Department, were Superintendent Rosemarie Kraeger, Assistant Superintendent Linda Savastano, Business Manager Raquel Pellerin, Facilities Director Edward Collins, School Committee Chair Theresa Spengler, Vice Chair Kellie DiPalma, and members Liana Ferreira Fenton, Paul Mankofsky, and William O'Connell.

Also, present were Town Administrator Shawn Brown, Finance Director Lynne Dible, Town Solicitor Michael W. Miller and Deputy Town Clerk Karin Clancey.

1. (Continued from Regular Meeting, October 7, 2013)

(Continued from Regular Meeting, September 16, 2013)

Memorandum of Superintendent, with enclosures, re: FY2014 Budget Amendments.

On motion of Vice President Sylvia, duly seconded, it was voted unanimously to receive said memorandum.

2. (Continued from Regular Meeting, October 7, 2013)

(Continued from Regular Meeting, September 16, 2013)

Resolution of the Council, re: Approval of FY2014 Budget Amendments.

Council President Semonelli thanked all for coming to the meeting. Mr. Semonelli explained that the meeting is to expand on questions from the October 7, 2013, Regular Meeting and expressed the need for open communication between the Council and School Committee.

Town Administrator Shawn Brown noted that attachment B, line item Private Donations, is to be amended to \$8,000 and line item School Fund Balance/Impact Aid Prior Year CIP is to be amended to \$430,810.00.

Discussion centered around that Alumni Funding and other funding placed in the private donations, the Amendments are under the

purview of the School Administration, which can be amended without Council approval and any budget changes by the School Department require Council approval.

On motion of Vice President Sylvia, duly seconded, it was voted unanimously to reduce schedule B line item Private Donations to \$8,000 and line item School Fund Balance/Impact Aid Prior Year CIP is to be increased \$430,810.00.

Discussion centered around the Town budget early adoption, when the School Department was notified of the Impact Aid funding, School Committee's ability to spend Impact Aid funds, School Department CIP, timeline to be set for 2014-2015 budget, installation of intercoms in the schools, health and safety in the schools, transparency, purchase of computers for the schools, the School Committee not wanting to create a structural deficit, some impact funding will be carried forward, computer replacement plan at the School Department and the Facilities Master Plan.

On motion of Vice President Sylvia, duly seconded, it was voted

unanimously to pass said resolution, as amended.

3. (Continued from Regular Meeting, October 7, 2013)

Memorandum of Finance Director, thru Town Administrator, with enclosures, re: School Department-FY2014 CIP Funds Change of Use.

Town Administrator Shawn Brown reviewed the memorandum, entered here:

On motion of Vice President Sylvia, duly seconded, it was voted unanimously to receive said memorandum.

Town Administrator Shawn Brown explained that the changes are administrative and can be done at anytime.

Business Manager Raquel Pellerin reviewed the following:

4. (Continued from Regular Meeting, October 7, 2013)

Resolution of the Council, re: School Department-FY2014 CIP Funds Change of Use.

On motion of Vice President Sylvia, duly seconded, it was voted unanimously to pass said resolution.

On motion of Vice President Sylvia, duly seconded, it was voted

unanimously to adjourn said meeting at 6:20 pm.

Wendy J.W. Marshall, CMC

Council Clerk

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